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Date: 26 Aug 78 By: grrI. SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

None to report.

II. OTHER ACTIVITIES

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1. The SIC Staff, primarily [redacted] and I, spent four and a half days last week trying to assist the Panama-bound Army officers in two ways - providing them with information and suggesting possible pedagogical techniques by means of which they could best get the substance across to a class. The group was receptive, but confused and almost completely unqualified for this assignment. It's difficult to visualize anything but a fiasco for the first running of the 52-hour section on Communism, scheduled to begin in October, particularly since the course has already been blocked out by the Holabird Staff without any consideration having been given to the capabilities of the instructors to handle the subjects selected.

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Because of the concern over Communist activities focusing upon the upcoming [redacted] conference the first presentation will be for a special [redacted] group. There was some indication from the Holabird representative who was present at last week's briefings that representatives of the [redacted] - as well as military officers - might attend. If the class should happen to include the [redacted] recently, the results could be tragic since he knows more about Communism than the Army men could hope to learn by then, let alone teach.

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There were a number of rather plaintive comments from the Lt. Colonel in charge to the effect that it would be very nice if one of us were there to at least back-stop the Army's effort. Joe [redacted] seems to think that a request of that nature might very well come through, or might be arranged if we were interested in having it arranged. With the JOT program coming up October would be an inconvenient time for SIC, but with the continued need of these people for assistance a TDY [redacted] later in the year might provide further useful service.

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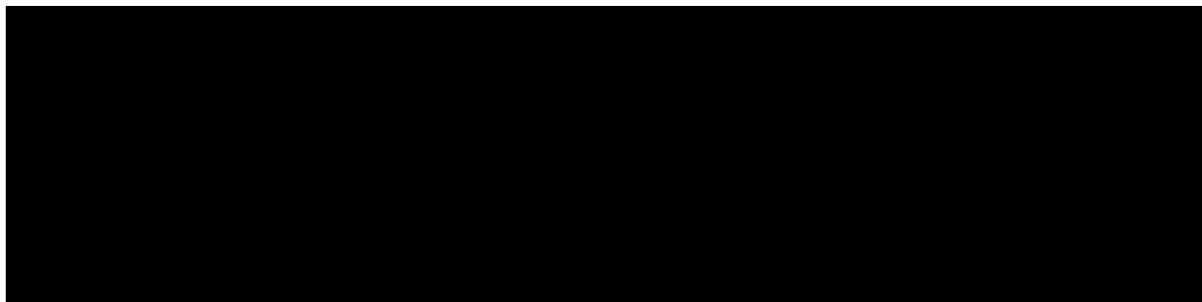
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3. I have committed SIC to another special presentation of the Communist Party Organization and Operations course for FDD, 28 September through 16 October, 9-12 a.m. each day. This enables us to squeeze it in between the September IOC and the JOT program, with only three days overlap with the latter. With a regular CPO&O and a USSR course coming up after the JOT program it couldn't be scheduled for later in the year. It will also give us an opportunity to try out some of the changes I intend to introduce into this course as a result of the July running with which - as course supervisor - I was not entirely satisfied.

OSI has also alerted us to the possibility that early next year it will request another special USSR course similar to the one which we ran last year.

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4. There have been no further developments in SIC's support to [REDACTED] for his SEATO program except for the fact that [REDACTED] has invited me to go to [REDACTED] to participate in the activities. However, while I am prepared to go and while I believe that [REDACTED] proffered the invitation in good faith, I suspect strongly that this was stimulated by [REDACTED] a National War College classmate, and has not been cleared with all of the echelons which might be necessary. I will be somewhat surprised if this invitation becomes official.

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5. [REDACTED] left yesterday morning for his [REDACTED] TDY, and I was most surprised when he informed me just as he was departing that his itinerary also included a stop-over at [REDACTED] for "conferences". I have no information which I can pass to you concerning the reason for the conferences, how they were initiated, or what the content will be. This matter was not discussed with me at any time prior to Eric's departure, and I can only speculate that it may stem from a personal invitation to Eric from one of the [REDACTED] delegation with which SIC had some exchange about two years ago. So far as I know there has not been a request from WE for this service.

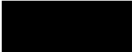
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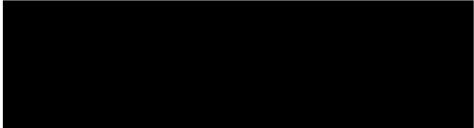
6. Tutorial Training:

 18, 19, 20, 21 August

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7. Non-Agency Presentations:

 17 August - NIS
"Theory of Communism"

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